

**METHODS FOR PREVENTING
ACUTE CLINICAL VASCULAR EVENTS IN A SUBJECT**

Abstract of the Disclosure

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This invention provides methods for: (i) inhibiting macrophage death, (ii) inhibiting atherosclerotic lesional complications, and (iii) inhibiting necrosis, plaque rupture and/or superficial erosion, in a subject having, or
10 at increased risk for developing, cardiovascular disease which comprise administering to the subject an effective amount of an amphiphilic compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof which (i) inhibits the intracellular transport of cholesterol within cells or (ii)
15 inhibits free cholesterol-induced death of cells, wherein the transport is from an intracellular cholesterol storage site to the endoplasmic reticulum. This invention also provides articles of manufacture comprising an amphiphilic compound which inhibits the intracellular transport of
20 cholesterol from an intracellular cholesterol storage site to the endoplasmic reticulum in cells, for use in inhibiting (i) macrophage death, (ii) atherosclerotic lesional complications, or (iii) necrosis, plaque rupture and/or superficial erosion, in a subject having, or at
25 increased risk for developing, cardiovascular disease.